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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>052546-0480</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/002028	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 02/02/2004	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.55) <b>10/544158</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION METHODS, RACK AND DEVICE FOR PREPARING SAMPLES FOR ANALYSIS		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 02/03/2003
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Michel Kubacki		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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3. <input type="checkbox"/>	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.	
4. <input type="checkbox"/>	The US has been elected (Article 31).	
5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)	
6. <input type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	
7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.	
8. <input type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).	
9. <input type="checkbox"/>	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).	
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Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:		
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.	
12. <input type="checkbox"/>	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.	
13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A preliminary amendment.	
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The following fees have been submitted:					
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee	\$300			\$	300.00
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All other situations				\$200	
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Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority				\$100	
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office				\$400	
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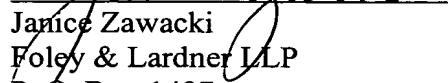
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I hereby certify that these attached documents:

- \* Transmittal Letter to the US Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 (duplicate)(2 pages)
- \* Application Data Sheet (2 pages)
- \* Preliminary Amendment (7 pages)
- \* Copy of Published PCT Application (31 pages)
- \* Check (No. 34812) for \$1,280.00
- \* Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages)
- \* Form PTO/SB/08 (1 page)
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